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OSCE "CHARTER"

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Classified By: Ambassador John F. Tefft, for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)

(C) Per reftel request, on May 29 Poloff raised the issue of the Russian draft OSCE "charter" with Alexander Nalbandov, Director of the Department of International Organizations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Nalbandov said that he understood U.S. concerns on the issue and would pass our message on to the Georgian mission in Vienna, adding that he would urge their mission to be "attentive" to the U.S. position.